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In re Application of

Robert L. Shuler Jr.

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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed December 8, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the Restriction Requirement mailed December 4, 2001, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on March 5, 2002.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 2800, Art Unit 2816 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 306-5594.

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